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COUNTY BOROUGH OF WEST BROMWICH.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

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A N N U A L R E P O R T

upon the

SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE

for the

Year ended 31st December, 1939.

W. S. WALTON, M.D., B. Hy., D. P. H.,

School Medical Officer.

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(32nd of the Series.)



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School Medical Officer... W. S. Walton, M.D., B. Hy., D.P.H.

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(Till 17.9.39.)

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L. R. L. Edwards, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

(From 18.9.39.)

Asst. School Med. Officer... G. M. Fleming, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

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" Orthopaedic Surgeon. J. B. Leather, F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S.,

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Miss M. Cook, L.D.S.

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" E. King. (From 15.5.39.)

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SUMMARY OF WORK.

	<u>1938.</u>	<u>1939.</u>
A. Medical Officers at Schools-		
Routine Inspections at Elementary Schools...	3,661	3,971
Routine Inspections at Secondary Schools ...	373	122
Special Inspections at Elementary Schools...	104	237
Re-Inspections at Elementary Schools.....	1,002	1,516
Re-Inspections at Secondary Schools.....	68	26
B. Medical Officers at Clinics- ... ..		
Inspections at Clinics... ..	3,335	2,287
Re-Inspections at Clinics... ..	3,579	2,248
Inspections under Employment of Children Bye-laws ...	3	4
C. Dental Officers-		
Routine Inspections at Elementary Schools...	9,766	8,747
Special Inspections at Schools and Clinics..	69	34
Attendances for treatment... ..	6,996	6,024
D. School Nurses' Visits, etc:-		
Visits to Schools... ..	664	517
Examinations in Schools (including cleanliness inspections)	30,413	20,213
Visits to Homes. ....	865	804
Treatments of minor ailments in Clinics. ...	22,553	13,557
Treatments of orthopaedic defects... ..	1,648	2,016

COST OF SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE.

	<u>1938/39.</u>	<u>1939/40.</u>
Total Cost (Net) ... ..	£4,779	£4,930
Government Grant ... ..	£2,389	£2,465
Cost to Rates... ..	£2,390	£2,465
Product of a Penny Rate. ... ..	£1,387	£1,454
Cost in terms of a Penny Rate... ..	1.723d.	1.694d.





SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Education Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you the Annual Report on the work of the School Medical Service during 1939.

The year promised well as far as the Service was concerned and steady work was carried out until the outbreak of war. Great difficulty was experienced in keeping in touch with the children when the schools were closed, and also later when they re-opened on a voluntary and part-time basis. It was your policy that the medical services should be maintained as far as possible, and with improvisation and repeated visiting it was possible to maintain from October onwards practically the normal rate of routine inspections and to provide the full clinic sessions.

The general effect of evacuation, school closure and part-time attendance on the health of the school child was beneficial. If regarded as a small scale experiment, evacuation proved in West Bromwich a great success from the standpoint of health improvement. The individual height-weight record graphs of the children who were evacuated, for the most part showed considerable acceleration over the normal increments during the last months of the year. Children who were not evacuated showed a smaller but general improvement over the average in physique (while not in full attendance). Education, discipline and perhaps social behaviour may have suffered severely in the upheaval, but to the credit side of the evacuation balance sheet we must certainly add (a) the maintenance and improvement in health generally, (b) a greatly reduced incidence of infectious disease and (c) according to many Head Teachers, a sharpening of mental receptivity and production of well being in the children.

The number of children taking milk at school increased considerably during the year and special thanks are due to teachers for their co-operation. The percentage of children in the Borough taking milk is still much lower than that for the country as a whole, but a recent investigation shows that parents and children are becoming more "milk conscious". The provision of free meals is receiving your attention.

During the year Dr. J.G.S. McQueen, the Senior Assistant School Medical Officer, left to take up an appointment with another Authority. His valuable services in the school medical work had extended over five and a half years. His special interest in nutrition and his excellent work was greatly appreciated in West Bromwich.

I have to thank the Director of Education (Mr. L.G. Rose) and his staffs for supplying certain information relevant to this report. It is also my pleasant duty to place on record acknowledgment of the help and courtesy which I have received from members of the Committee and also the efficient service of my staff.

I have the honour to remain,

Your obedient servant,

*N. M. Dalton*

School Medical Officer.

2, Lodge Road,  
West Bromwich.





## R E P O R T.

### I.- STAFF.

The Staff is as set out on Page One.

### II.- CO-ORDINATION.

The arrangements for the co-ordination of the School Medical Department with other Health Services and Voluntary Agencies have continued on the usual lines.

### III.- SCHOOL HYGIENE.

No improvements of a hygienic nature have been carried out in schools.

### IV.- MEDICAL INSPECTION & TREATMENT.

The usual arrangements were carried out and the three code groups, Entrants, Intermediates and Leavers, dealt with. The number of visits to schools for this purpose was 148.

The figures relating to medical inspection are to be found on Page 11, Table I. The number of inspections was 3,971 against 3,661 during 1938, and the number of special inspections and re-inspections was 6,288 as compared with 8,818 in 1938. 1,516 re-examinations were made of children under observation; 465 children showed improvement.

Of the 3,971 children examined 848 were found to require treatment for various defects, the majority of which were minor ailments.

#### (a) Nutrition.

The following table shows the figures for the last four years and, for comparison, those for the country as a whole:-

Year.	No. of Children Inspected.	A.	B.	C.	D.
1936.	4,286	22.96	61.2	15.21	0.63
1937.	3,702	35.47	47.65	15.75	1.13
1938.	3,661	22.56	57.93	17.54	1.97
1939.	3,971	21.68	58.59	18.28	1.45
<u>England &amp; Wales.</u>					
1938.	1,674,023	14.5	74.2	10.8	0.5

#### (b) Uncleanliness.

The result of the cleanliness inspections by the nursing staff are shown in Table VI., page 15.

#### (c) Minor Ailments and Diseases of the Skin.

The number of cases treated during the year will be found in Table IV., Group I, page 12. Treatments at the various Clinics numbered 13,557.

#### (d) Visual defects and external eye diseases.

The Ophthalmic and Refraction Clinics were continued as usual during the year. 326 cases of defective vision and squint were dealt with, and 320 pair of spectacles were supplied under the scheme.



(e) Nose and Throat Defects.

Under the Authority's Scheme 157 operations were carried out at Hallam Hospital.

(f) Ear Disease and defective hearing.

The total number of children treated for ear defects at the various clinics was 162, as compared with 315 in 1938.

(g) Dental defects.

The Dental Surgeons report as follows:-

As is only to be expected the dental statistics for 1939 show a general falling off in the amount of work done as compared with 1938. For the purpose of analysis the year's work must be considered in two halves. During the first half of the year the amount of conservative work done continued to increase, in fact 4,369 fillings were done, an increase of 849 over the corresponding period of 1938.

At the outbreak of war, the dental work came to a complete stop except for emergency treatment, but after the first few days treatment of outstanding cases was proceeded with. As soon as the schools re-opened on a voluntary basis normal working was resumed as far as possible, there being adequate air-raid shelter quite near.

Dental inspections in schools were resumed, but these were very difficult and occupied more than the usual time as the children generally were only attending in small groups. Many children could not be inspected as some were evacuated and others not attending school.

It was found that the number of acceptances of treatment fell off considerably and attendances at the Clinic were very irregular. This was, undoubtedly, because the children were not in school; the same thing is always experienced at holiday times. It is obvious that the co-operation of the teachers is the biggest factor in the usual good attendance of children at the dental clinic.

It is a strange commentary on human nature that since war began some of the parents who had consistently refused treatment for years now accepted and even requested it for their children. Treatment has, of course, been given in every such case as bad teeth may cause ill health, and ill health means loss of efficiency on the home front!

As the schools return to normal so will the dental clinic be able to work as before. The parents appear to regard dental treatment as part of the school routine; they are generally quite willing for their children to have dental treatment, but it is left to the child to decide whether he will come to the clinic. If he is attending school the teacher sends him and he comes as a matter of course; if not he often does not bother to come. This is perfectly natural behaviour on the part of the child and it is a state of affairs which will always persist until the parents are sufficiently educated to realise the value of dental treatment and be not only willing but anxious for the children to have it. There are, fortunately, a large proportion of parents who already feel this and whose children, therefore, are always dentally fit throughout their school life. The war has shown us, however, that there is still room for much improvement in dental education.





(h) Orthopaedics and postural defects.

The treatment of orthopaedic defects at the Hallam Hospital was continued under the supervision of Mr. J.B. Leather, the Orthopaedic Surgeon.

## Analysis of cases treated:-

	1938.		1939.	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
Number of cases... ..	23	20	19	11
Number of consultations... ..	42	35	16	12
Number of children in-patient. ....	7	1	-	1
Number of children on massage. ....	10	9	13	7
Number of attendances. ....	250	413	392	270
Number of children x-rayed ... ..	4	4	-	1
Number of children fitted with irons, plaster cases, etc.. ....	5	5	5	6

Summary of work at Remedial Exercises Clinic.

Number of sessions... ..	142
Number of attendances ... ..	1,354
Number of patients - Boys 31. Girls 23...	54
Discharged... ..	31
Deceased. ....	1
Left school or district.. ....	8
Remaining on books... ..	14

(i) Heart disease and rheumatism.

Cases attending the clinics were classified as follows:-

	Cases.		Attendances.	
	B.	G.	B.	G.
(1) Rheumatic pains or Arthritis:				
(a) with heart affection... ..	17	17	24	39
(b) without heart affection ... ..	7	7	9	8
(2) Rheumatic Chorea:				
(a) with heart affection... ..	5	1	7	5
(b) without heart affection ... ..	3	12	3	30
(3) Rheumatic Carditis:				
without (1) or (2) above... ..	10	14	12	18
(4) Congenital Heart Disease. ....	-	5	-	9
(5) Functional Heart Disorder ... ..	3	3	4	3
(6) Heart Disease only... ..	4	3	4	4
(7) No Rheum. or Heart Disease or Disorder	11	16	16	20
Total.	60	78	79	136

(j) Tuberculosis.

The following children were treated under the Orthopaedic Scheme.

	1938.		1939.	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
Number of cases... ..	2	-	4	2
Number of out-patient attendances. ....	8	-	5	4
Number of children in-patient. ....	-	-	1	-
Number of children on massage. ....	1	-	1	-
Number of attendances. ....	78	-	11	-
Number of children x-rayed ... ..	2	-	1	1
Number of children in Woodlands or Forelands..	3	-	3	-

The Tuberculosis Committee also accepted responsibility for two boys and one girl who received treatment at the Woodlands apart from the Orthopaedic Scheme.





(k) Treatment by Artificial Sun-light.

The Ultra-Violet Light Clinic was continued during the year, the cases treated numbered 51 and attendances 703.

VIII.- INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There has been no alteration in the arrangements for the control of infectious diseases. Diphtheria Immunisation was continued and 449 children completed three injections of T.A.F. Post-schick tests were carried out in 24 cases, one being positive. 434 throat or nasal swabs taken from school children were examined bacteriologically by your medical officers, of these 77 were positive.

The following table shows the incidence of the Notifiable Infectious Diseases during the four quarters of the year.

Disease.	1st. Qr.	2nd. Qr.	3rd. Qr.	4th. Qr.	Total. 1939.	Total. 1938.
Scarlet Fever	35	12	11	8	66	112
Diphtheria	28	13	17	8	66	127
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	1	1
Pneumonia	1	-	-	1	2	20
Meningitis	1	1	-	-	2	2
Dysentery	2	-	-	-	2	6

During the first half of the year Measles, Whooping Cough and Chickenpox were epidemic, and it was found necessary to issue certificates under Article 23b of the Education Code in respect of Lyng, Guns Village, All Saints and Hill Top Infants' Schools, where the percentage fell below 60% in the month of March.

Mortality in School Children.Causes of Death, 1939.

Disease or Other Cause.	Number.
Diphtheria ... ..	2
Pulmonary Tuberculosis ... ..	1
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	3
Other forms of Tuberculosis... ..	1
Bronchitis ... ..	1
Pneumonia - all forms. ... ..	4
Other Respiratory Diseases ... ..	1
Sarcoma of the Kidney. ... ..	1
Drowning... ..	5
Traffic Accidents. ... ..	3
Other Accidents... ..	2
Endocarditis.. ... ..	2
Myocardial Failure ... ..	3
Cardiac Failure... ..	3
Other defined Diseases ... ..	4
Total.	36

This compares with 38 deaths in 1938.



## IX.- OPEN-AIR EDUCATION.

There are no Open-Air Schools in the Borough.

## X.- PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Arrangements were as in previous years.

## XI.- PROVISION OF MEALS.

### (a) Provision of Milk under the Authority's Scheme.

The scheme for the provision of free milk for necessitous undernourished children continued in operation throughout the year. At the end of December 1939, 208 children were receiving free milk, the comparative figure for the previous year was 222.

## XII.- CO-OPERATION OF PARENTS, TEACHERS, SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICERS AND VOLUNTARY BODIES.

### (a) Parents.

The number of parents attending routine medical inspections was 2,746, or 69.15% of the children examined.

### (b) Teachers.

Once again the greatest tribute must be paid to the teachers for the valuable assistance rendered to the School Medical Department.

### (c) School Attendance Officers.

The School Attendance Officers continue to render valuable assistance to the Department.

### (d) Co-operation of Voluntary Bodies.

The Poor Children's Welfare Society has continued its most able assistance during the year. 22 cases were sent to the Southport Convalescent Home for periods varying from 14-28 days, and 464 pairs of boots were distributed to necessitous children.

The Rotary Club again has given note-worthy assistance by sending 40 necessitous boys to the Swanage Rotary Camp for two weeks. The boys had an enjoyable time and took every advantage of the sea air and sunshine, returning to West Bromwich much improved in health and spirits.

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children rendered valuable service through the medium of Chief Inspector Pine.

## XII.- BLIND, DEAF, DEFECTIVE AND EPILEPTIC CHILDREN.

Blind Children. Two children were ascertained during the year, one is awaiting admission to the Royal Institution for the Blind, Birmingham, and one is awaiting disposal.

Deaf Children. Three cases of total deafness - 2 Boys 1 Girl - are undergoing training in the Birmingham Royal Institution for the Deaf.





### Mentally Defective Children.

Formal examinations were carried out in eight cases and 18 were re-examined; the findings were as follows:-

Idiots - Notified to Local Authority.....	1
Imbeciles - " " " " .....	2
Low-grade Feeble-minded " " .....	2
Feeble-minded.....	15
Dull and Backward.....	6
	<u>26</u>

### Report on the Junior Practical School.

by Miss D. Griffin, (Headmistress).

During 1939 the Junior Practical School has had, in common with all other schools, many and varied experiences.

The numbers on the roll and daily attendances were very satisfactory until the end of the Summer term, and most absences were caused through genuine sickness.

On the outbreak of war the School, as a unit, was scheduled for evacuation and 27 out of the 50 pupils were evacuated to the Wissage Centre, Lichfield. Owing to unforeseen difficulties the party was brought back to West Bromwich after a short stay. Following this, contact was made with the children in their homes, each child being visited at least once a week. Eventually accommodation for a group was provided in the Friar Park Hutments, and all children who live in the neighbourhood, or whose parents desired them to attend, came daily for full-time instruction. By the end of the Xmas term approximately 50% of the children on the roll were attending.

The academic knowledge gained, though in most cases slight, does not appear to have been lost through the long period away from school, and most of the children appeared glad to resume the routine of school life.

I endeavour to keep in touch with old pupils as far as possible. Most of the girls are working in factories and several of the boys have joined the Forces. One who is in the Air Force is doing particularly well.

### SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

#### Medical Inspection.

Owing to evacuation the medical inspections were considerably curtailed. The following table shows the result of the inspection in the Municipal Grammar School.

No. of Inspections... ..	122
No. of Re-Inspections ... ..	26
No. of children found to require treatment... ..	14
Percentage of children found to require treatment ... ..	11.47

#### Medical Treatment.

Two necessitous cases of defective vision were dealt with and spectacles provided, the cost of which was recovered from the parents. In addition, eight pupils received dental treatment.



# XVII.- PARENTS' PAYMENTS.

## (a) Orthopaedic Treatment and Operative Treatment for Tonsils and Adenoids.

Charges are made for treatment in accordance with family income and collection is in the hands of the Borough Treasurer.

## (b) Spectacles and Dental Fees.

The actual cost of spectacles is charged to parents, but financial assistance is given in necessitous cases. Payments are made at the Central School Clinic; arrears are referred to the Borough Treasurer for collection.

Dental Fees are charged, except in necessitous cases, at the rate of 3d. per visit, payment being made at the time of treatment.

The following amounts were received during the year:-

	£.	s.	d.
Spectacles... ..	101	16	3
Dental... ..	67	4	3
Orthopaedic Defects )	65	10	-
Tonsils & Adenoids }			

# XVIII.- HEALTH EDUCATION.

This work has continued along the usual lines. Grateful acknowledgment is made once more to the services rendered by the Local Press.

# XIX.- SPECIAL INQUIRIES.

There were no special Inquiries during 1939.

# XX.- MISCELLANEOUS.

## Employment of Children.

The following Table gives particulars of licences and registrations for the year 1939:-

(a)	Employed Children (12-14).	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
	No. of Registrations:			
	Delivery of Newspapers or Milk.	152	-	152
	Errands and Light Duties... ..	93	5	98
	Child Performers... ..	2	24	26
	No. of Licences surrendered:			
	Delivery of Newspapers or Milk.	130	-	130
	Errands, etc... ..	91	3	94
(b)	Street Trading by Young Persons.			
	No. of Licences issued. ... ..	-	-	-
	No. of Licences surrendered ... ..	2	-	2
(c)	Investigating Patrols.			
	No. of Patrols undertaken.. ...			37
	No. of Offences reported... ..			31
	No. of Warning Notices issued.. ...			12
	No. of Employers interviewed... ..			19
(d)	Prosecutions. ... ..			Nil.
(e)	Medical Inspection.			
	Four children were examined as to their fitness for spare-time employment. All child performers were medically inspected.			
(f)	Fatal Accident.			
	One employed boy aged twelve was involved in a fatal cycling accident.			





MEDICAL INSPECTION RETURNS.TABLE I.

Return of Medical Inspections in Elementary Schools for the  
Year Ended 31st December, 1939.

A. - ROUTINE MEDICAL INSPECTIONS.

Number of Inspections in the prescribed Groups:-

Entrants ... ..	1424
Second Age Group ... ..	1337
Third Age Group ... ..	1160
	<u>3921</u>
Number of other Routine Inspections ...	<u>50</u>

B. - OTHER INSPECTIONS.

Number of Special Inspections and Re-Inspections.. 6288

B.

TABLE II.

Classification of the Nutrition of Children Inspected in the  
Routine Age Groups up to 31st August, 1939.

	Number of Children Inspected	A. (Excellent)		B. (Normal)		C. (Slightly Sub-normal)		D. (Bad)	
		No.	%.	No.	%.	No.	%.	No.	%.
Entrants... ..	822	149	18.12	506	61.56	154	18.74	13	1.58
Second Age-Group ..	1212	300	24.75	673	55.53	224	18.48	15	1.24
Third Age-Group ...	1049	268	25.55	701	66.82	75	7.16	5	0.47
Other Routine Inspections..	50	1	2.0	47	94.0	1	2.0	1	2.0
	3133	718	22.91	1927	61.51	454	14.49	34	1.09

TABLE III.BLIND CHILDREN.TOTAL.

At Public Elementary School ... ..	Nil.	
At Certified Schools for the Blind ... ..	Nil.	
At Other Institutions.. ... ..	Nil.	
At no School or Institution ... ..	2.	2
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At Certified Schools for the Deaf.. ... ..	3.	
At Public Elementary School ... ..	Nil.	
At other Institutions.. ... ..	Nil.	
At no School or Institution ... ..	Nil.	3





TABLE IV.

Return of Defects Treated During the Year Ended 31st December, 1939.

## TREATMENT TABLES.

Group I. - Minor Ailments (excluding Uncleanliness, for which see Table VI.)

DISEASE OR DEFECT. (1)	Number of Defects treated, or under treatment during the year.		
	Under the Authority's Scheme. (2)	Otherwise. (3)	Total. (4)
Skin --			
Ringworm-Scalp-			
(i) X-ray Treatment.. ...	-	-	-
(ii) Other Treatment.. ...	-	-	-
Ringworm-Body... ..	3	-	3
Scabies. ....	12	75	87
Impetigo ... ..	442	-	442
Other skin disease.. ...	673	8	681
Minor Eye Defects.. ...			
(External and other, but excluding cases falling in Group II.)... ..	222	7	229
Minor Ear Defects.. ...	162	-	162
Miscellaneous... ..	988	39	1027
(e.g. minor injuries, bruises, sores, chilblains, etc.)			
Total...	2502	129	2631

Group II. - Defective Vision and Squint (excluding Minor Eye Defects treated as Minor Ailments - Group I.)

	Number of Defects dealt with.		
	Under the Authority's Scheme.	Otherwise.	Total.
Errors of Refraction (including squint)	320	6	326
Other defect or disease of the eyes (excluding those recorded in Group I.)	-	-	-
Total.	320	6	326
No. of Children for whom spectacles were-			
(a) Prescribed... ..	249	6	255
(b) Obtained ... ..	243	6	249



TABLE IV. - continued.

## Group III. - Treatment of Defects of Nose and Throat.

Number of Defects.											
Received Operative Treatment.									Received other forms of Treatment.	Total Number Treated.	
Under the Authority's Scheme, in Clinic or Hospital.				By Private Practitioner or Hospital, apart from Authority's Scheme.							
(1)				(2)				(3)	(4)	(5)	
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)				
-	-	157	-	-	-	43	-	(200)	18	218	

(i) Tonsils only. (ii) Adenoids only. (iii) Tonsils and Adenoids.  
(iv) Other defects of the nose and throat.

## Group IV. - Orthopaedic and Postural Defects.

	Under the Authority's Scheme. (1)			Otherwise. (2)			Total Number Treated.
	Resid- ential treat- ment with Education.  (i)	Resid- ential treat- ment without Education.  (ii)	Non- Resid- ential treat- ment at an ortho- pædic clinic. (iii)	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	
Number of Children Treated.	2	1	88	7	5	6	101

TABLE V. - DENTAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT.

## (1) Number of Children inspected by the Dentists.

## (a) Routine age-groups.

Age.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Total
Number.	484	791	997	1068	1043	1030	991	906	876	554	7	8747

(b) Specials... .. 34

(c) Total (Routine and Specials)... .. 8781

(2) Number found to require treatment. .... 5710

(3) Number actually treated... .. 4215

(4) Attendances made by children for treatment ... .. 6024

(5) Half-days devoted to:-

(7) Extractions:-

Inspection... .. 57½ Permanent Teeth ... 1844

Treatment.... .. 880 Temporary Teeth ... 7787

937½ 9631

(6) Fillings:-

(8) Administration of  
general anaesthetics  
for extractions. 1295

Permanent Teeth... .. 6415

Temporary Teeth... .. 28

6443

(9) Other Operations:-

Permanent Teeth 936

Temporary Teeth 1479

2415





TABLE VI. - UNCLEANLINESS AND VERMINOUS CONDITIONS.

(i)	Average number of visits per school made during the year by the School Nurses... ..	2
(ii)	Total number of examinations of children in the Schools by School Nurses... ..	20,213
(iii)	Number of individual children found unclean	898
(iv)	Number of children cleansed under arrangements made by the Local Education Authority.. ..	Nil.
(v)	Number of cases in which Legal proceedings were taken. ....	Nil.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS.TABLE I.

Return of Medical Inspections in Secondary Schools for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

## A. - ROUTINE MEDICAL INSPECTIONS.

Age.	11.	13.	15.	17.	19.	Total.
Number inspected.	1	32	67	21	1	122

## B. - OTHER INSPECTIONS.

Number of Special Inspections ... ..	Nil.
Number of Re-Inspections.. ..	26

Number of Individual Children found to require treatment (excluding Uncleanliness and Dental Diseases).... 14

Percentage of children found to require treatment ... 11.47.

